

**Program Coordinator
Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
Non-Sensitive**

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This position is advertised under the Locally Employed (LE) Staff Program of the United States Mission in China. All applicants must already have relevant documentation to legally reside and work for the U.S. Government in China to be eligible for consideration.

Position is subject to funding availability.

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates

POSITION: Program Coordinator (FDA)

OPENING DATE: December 29, 2014

**CLOSING DATE: January 13, 2015
(Only applications received by the closing date will be considered)**

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hours/week

**GRADE: Ordinarily Resident: FSN-10 RMB 201,045 p.a.
(starting salary includes allowance and bonus)
Not-Ordinarily Resident: FP-05 USD 43,378 p.a.
(starting salary, final grade will be determined by Washington)**

LOCATION: The incumbent may be assigned to work at the Embassy or one of the Embassy's off-compound facilities in Beijing.

The U.S. Embassy in Beijing is seeking an individual for the position of Program Coordinator with the Food and Drug Administration.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION

The Program Coordinator serves under the direction and guidance of the FDA Assistant Country Director. In this capacity, the Program Coordinator is responsible for organization and coordination of U.S. government-supported FDA regulated product activities initiated and implemented by the FDA staff posted at U.S. Embassy Beijing. While these products may include food, drug, biologics, veterinary, medical devices, and animal feed, the focus will be primarily on drugs, biologics, medical devices and biomedical research; hereafter referenced as medical products. The Program Coordinator provides strategic advice to strengthen the cooperation with provincial and municipal

regulatory authorities and industry officials, while enhancing the effectiveness and impact of U.S.-China collaborative programs dealing with the safety and quality of medical products.

The Program Coordinator is a critical bridge to protect USG interests in public health, which includes FDA regulated products that are both vital to foreign-policy goals and extremely sensitive politically, and in a country, China, of critical importance to the USG's global health and trade policy.

The Program Coordinator maintains close contact with officials from provincial and municipal regulatory authorities, non-governmental organizations, universities and the private sector for the purposes of facilitating the development of new cooperation and affecting policy development and effective implementation of FDA programs in China. The Program Coordinator also has responsibility to review and analyze health-related policy documents (especially those relating to medical product safety) and publications issued at the provincial and municipal level, to prepare reports and provide information for U.S. agencies and scientists to assist in cooperative work. The Program Coordinator provides operational assistance to the FDA staff posted in China, including representing FDA interests to provincial and municipal authorities when appropriate.

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available in the Office of Human Resources (x4500).

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item. Applicants who fail to do so, or who do not meet the position's required qualifications, will not be considered for this position.

Education:

- A Master's Degree (or host-country equivalent) in business administration, or in medical, public-health, biological, chemical or relevant engineering sciences is required.

Experience:

- A minimum of six (6) years of progressively responsible work experience in industry, and/or in governmental agencies with responsibility for medical product safety and quality issues is required.

At least four (4) of these years should involve work in either relations between government regulatory bodies and medical product producers or in quality assurance programs. Demonstrated aptitude (practical and/or theoretical) in integrating programs with a wide range of stakeholders to promote medical product safety is required.

Language:

- Level IV (Fluent) speaking/reading/writing in English is required.
Level IV (Fluent) speaking/reading/writing in Mandarin Chinese is required.

Knowledge:

- Must have an advanced, highly-detailed knowledge of political, regulatory and technical aspects of consumer protection, public health policy and regulated medical product safety and

quality program issues in China, including administrative, operational and financial systems of the relevant Government of China (GOC) Ministries and agencies involved in regulated products. Must have knowledge and understanding of the functions and operations of the U.S. agencies that hold responsibility for medical product safety issues and have a broad perspective and thorough knowledge of Chinese medical product safety regulators, including their certification programs and import-export processes. Must have knowledge of multinational organizations that partner with the USG in medical product safety in China, including FAO, and similar organizations and of health-related international and domestic non-governmental organizations.

Abilities and skills:

- Must have advanced computer skills including excellent usage of spreadsheets, presentation graphics, and searching medical literature databases in both English and Chinese.
- Must have up-to-date professional certifications in their profession (e.g., licensure or certifications in medicine, pharmacy, or medical-sciences).

SELECTION CRITERIA

When equally qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (US EFMs) and U.S. Veterans who are legally residing in country will be given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

- All completed applications received by the closing date will be reviewed by HR to determine which applicants meet the advertised position's required qualifications. When appropriate, the HR Office will administer necessary language and/or skills testing to confirm an applicant's qualifications. Applicants who are unavailable for testing will not be considered.
- Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- Current LE Staff employees are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their appointment.
- Current Ordinarily Resident (OR) employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
- Current U.S. Citizen EFM employees who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
- Current Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR) employees hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their

employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.

- Ordinarily Resident applicants or applicants without a U.S. social security number will be paid according to the Local Compensation Plan in local currency (RMB). There are no exceptions to this regulation.

TO APPLY

Interested candidates for this position should submit the following:

1. Application for Employment as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member [DS-0174](#); **or**
2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information found on the [DS-0174](#); **or**
3. A combination of both; i.e. Sections 1 -24 of the [DS-0174](#) along with a listing of the applicant's work experience attached as a separate sheet; **plus**
4. Candidates who claim US Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application. If the DD-214 is not submitted with the application, the applicant will not be considered for Veterans Preference.
5. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.
6. Copy of passport showing Chinese Government approval to legally reside and work for the U.S. Government in China (does not apply to Chinese nationals, US EFM's, or EFM's).

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

Human Resources Office
American Embassy Beijing, China
No.55 An Jia Lou, Beijing 100600
Email: USEmbassyBJHR@state.gov

(Please specify the position title in the subject line.)

Fax: 86-10-8531-4545

Website: <http://beijing.usembassy-china.org.cn>

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: 11:59 P.M. Beijing Time, January 13, 2015

The US Mission in Beijing provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

DEFINITIONS:

Eligible Family Member (EFM): An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:

- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in [3 FAM 1610](#));
- Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;
- Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
- Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.

U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (US EFM): For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; and,
- EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
- Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.

Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM): EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:

- Is a U.S. citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in [3 FAM 1610](#)) or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
- Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form [OF-126](#), Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief

- of mission authority; and
- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
- Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity

Member of Household (MOH): An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:

- Not an EFM; and,
- Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
- Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR) – An individual who:

- Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
- Does not ordinarily reside (*OR*, see below) in the host country; and,
- Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

Ordinarily Resident (OR) – A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:

- Is locally resident; and,
- Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
- Has the required work permits for employment in country; and,
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).